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SUBJ: AIR FORCE CHIEFS AVOID POLITICS AT MONTEVIDEO MEETING

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1. SUMMARY. MILITARY AID AND HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES WERE
SHUNNED AS TOPICS OF FORMAL DISCUSSION AT THE AMERICAN AIR FORCE
CHIEFS MEETING HELD IN MONTEVIDEO MARCH 14-16. THE ONLY PUBLIC
STATEMENTS ALLUDING TO THESE MATTERS CAME AFTERWARDS FROM THE
ARGENTINE AND URUGUAYAN CINCS. THE ARGENTINE DENIED THAT
RELATIONS BETWEEN HIS COUNTRY AND THE U.S. HAD
DETERIORATED WHILE THE URUGUAYAN PLEDGED THAT THE AIR FOCE
WOULD WORK TOWARD GUARANTEEING HUMAN RIGHTS IN URUGUAY.

END SUMMARY.

2. DESPITE INTENSE LATIN AMERICAN INTEREST IN U.S. POLICY
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ON MILITARY AID AND HUMAN RIGHTS, THE SEVENTH MEETING OF
THE AMERICAN AIR FORCE CHIEFS HELD IN MONTEVIDEO MARCH 14-16
AVOIDED THESE ISSUES. DAO REPORTS THAT THE CONFERENCE
WAS DEVOTED TO AIR FORCE MATTERS OF A TECHNICAL NATURE.
U.S. REPRESENTATIVE, GENERAL MCBRIDE, HOWEVER, HELD BI-
LATERAL DISCUSSIONS WITH HIS COUNTERPARTS FROM CHILE,
ARGENTINA AND URUGUAY, WHERE THE GENERAL TOPIC AND PARTICULAR

PROBLEMS FACING THE THREE SOUTHERN CONE NATIONS WERE DISCUSSED
IN A LOW KEY, OBJECTIVE MANNER.

3. BRIG. AGOSTO, ARGENTINE AIR FORCE CINC, AND MEMBER OF
THE JUNTA, WAS QUOTED IN THE LOCAL PRESS AS EXPRESSING THE
VIEW THAT RELATIONS BETWEEN ARGENTINA AND THE U.S. BTAS A
COUNTRY", OR WITH THE U.S. "PEOPLE" OR "ARMED FORCES", HAD
NOT DETERIORATED. THE RECENT PROBLEMS, HE SAID, WERE WITH
THE "NEW ADMINISTRATION".

4. IN A CEREMONY MARCH 17, IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CON-
FERENCE, THE URUGUAYAN AIR FORCE CELEBRATED ITS 64TH
ANNIVERSARY. IN A "COMMAND ORDER" READ BY BRIG. PALADINI,
UAF CINC, THE URUGUAYAN AIR FORCE WAS PLEDGED TO WORK TO
ACHIEVE "THE INTEGRAL PROTECTION OF THE COLLECTIVE AND
INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS OF MAN..." THE ORDER RECEIVED HEADLINE
TREATMENT IN EL DIA, MONTEVIDEO'S ONLY OPPOSITION NEWSPAPER.
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